






TO: GENERAL COMMITTEE

SUBJECT: PARKING PROHIBITION ON TORONTO STREET

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RECOMMENDED MOTION

1. That By-law 80-138 Schedule "C", "Restricted Parking Between the Hours as specified Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays For A Limited Time During Stated Hours Except On Statutory Holidays" be amended by removing the following:

<u>Street Segment</u>	<u>Side</u>	<u>Time</u>
<u>Toronto Street from Ross Street to Wellington Street</u>	East Side	Two (2) hours from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday to Friday excluding Statutory Holidays

2. That By-law 80-138 Schedule "B", "No Parking In Specified Places Where Signs on Display at Stated Times" be amended by:

Removing the following:

<u>Street Segment</u>	<u>Side</u>	<u>Time</u>
<u>Toronto Street</u> in front of Hillcrest School grounds.	East Side	8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. except Saturdays, Sundays and Statutory Holidays.
<u>Toronto Street</u> between Sophia Street and Wellington Street West.	East Side	At all times, except Sundays and Statutory Holidays.
<u>Toronto Street</u> from Wellington Street West to Grove Street West	Both Sides	9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. except Saturdays, Sundays and Statutory Holidays.

And by adding the following:

<u>Street Segment</u>	<u>Side</u>	<u>Time</u>
<u>Toronto Street</u> from Ross Street to a point 79 metres south of Wellington Street	East Side	7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. except Saturdays, Sundays, and Statutory Holidays.

<u>Toronto Street</u> from Wellington Street to a point 70 metres south of Dalton Street.	East Side	8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. except Saturdays, Sundays, and Statutory Holidays.
<u>Toronto Street</u> from a point 75 metres north of Dalton Street to Grove Street.	East Side	8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. except Saturdays, Sundays, and Statutory Holidays.

3. That By-law 80-138 Schedule "A", "No Parking Any Time" be amended by adding the following:

<u>Street</u>	<u>Segment</u>	<u>Side</u>
<u>Toronto Street</u>	from Wellington Street to a point 79 metres south thereof	East Side.

PURPOSE & BACKGROUND

4. Staff reviewed on-street parking regulations on Toronto Street from Ross Street to Grove Street and found inconsistencies within By-law 80-138. As a result of this review, staff are recommending amendments to parking regulations for By-law 80-138 on Toronto Street.
5. The City of Barrie's Engineering Department has received a request from residents to investigate on-street parking along the east side of Toronto Street between Ross Street and Grove Street.
6. Currently on-street parking regulations vary along Toronto Street between Ross Street and Grove Street. On-street parking is permitted on Toronto Street between Ross Street and Wellington Street on Sundays and Statutory Holidays, and on Toronto Street between Wellington Street to Grove Street during evenings and weekends.
7. Toronto Street between Ross Street and Grove Street is a two-lane collector roadway with a pavement width of 6.75 metres from Ross Street to Wellington Street and 8.5 metres from Wellington Street to Grove Street, and sidewalks on both sides (refer to Appendix "A").
8. Toronto Street is located within Ward 2.
9. Currently on-street parking is prohibited on the east side of Toronto Street from Ross Street/Sophia Street to Wellington Street at any time except Sundays and Statutory Holidays.
10. Currently on-street parking is prohibited on both sides of Toronto Street from Wellington Street to Grove Street from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. except Saturdays, Sundays, and Statutory Holidays.
11. Currently stopping is prohibited from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. except Saturdays, Sundays, and School Holidays on the east side of Toronto Street from a point 70 metres south of Dalton Street to a point 75 metres north of Dalton Street.
12. Overnight on-street parking is prohibited from December 1st to March 31st, between 12:01 a.m. and 7:00 a.m. for the purpose of snow clearing.

ANALYSIS

13. A Parking Questionnaire was prepared and mailed to 63 property owners on Toronto Street. Results of the Parking Questionnaire responses are as follows:

TORONTO STREET ON-STREET PARKING SURVEY	RESPONSES RECEIVED	PERCENTAGE OF RESPONSES
Leave current parking in place on Toronto Street.	10	67%
Amend current bylaw such that there is No Parking on the east side from 8a.m. – 5 p.m. excluding Saturday, Sunday and Statutory Holidays from: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ross Street to a point 70 metres south of Dalton Street. 2. A point 70 metres north of Dalton Street to Grove Street. 	5	33%
TOTAL (Out of 63)	15	24%

14. Staff reviewed both By-law 80-138, and existing signage in place on the east side of Toronto Street between Ross Street and Grove Street, and found inconsistencies within By-law 80-138. As a result, staff are completing general maintenance to update By-law 80-138.
15. Staff recommend that By-law 80-138 Schedule "C", "Restricted Parking Between the Hours as specified Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays For a Limited Time During Stated Hours Except On Statutory Holidays" be amended by removing the following:

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18. The recommended motion would create consistent dates and times of on-street parking along Toronto Street between Ross Street and Grove Street, thereby reducing confusion in the interpretation of the existing signage.
19. Staff considered limiting the parking prohibition of on-street parking from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Toronto Street between Ross Street and Wellington Street, however this was not recommended as the roadway width is 6.75 metres and would not accommodate on-street parking and two-way traffic, during the peak hours of the day.
20. The proposed recommended motion to prohibit on-street parking from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Toronto Street from Ross Street to a point 79 metres south of Wellington Street would prevent vehicles from parking on-street during the peak hours of the day while still providing on-street parking during late evenings and on weekends.
21. The implementation of the general provision of no parking any time within 30 metres of a signalized intersection, at the intersection of Toronto Street and Ross Street will provide adequate throat clearance and improved sight lines for vehicles turning onto Toronto Street from Ross Street.
22. The recommended no parking any time on Toronto Street from Wellington Street to a point 79 metres south thereof would ensure clear sight lines and roadway width for vehicles travelling along Toronto Street at the steepest point in the grade.
23. Some respondents of the parking questionnaire expressed concerns regarding the potential for increased parking congestion along Toronto Street between Ross Street and Grove Street from non-residents. Parking will continue to be restricted on weekdays during peak times.
24. Respondents expressed the need to increase the hours of on-street parking so they may have on-street parking in front of their residence to accommodate visitor parking. Vehicles will be able to park on-street during evenings and on weekends.

25. The recommended motion will prevent vehicles from parking in front of residential houses during business hours (8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.) from Wellington Street to Grove Street and during peak hours (7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.) from Ross Street to Wellington Street, but provide on-street parking during weekday evenings and weekends.
26. Staff reviewed the collision history on Toronto Street between Ross Street and Grove Street and found no reported collisions involving vehicles parked on-street.
27. Barrie Police Service, Barrie Fire and Emergency Service and Municipal Law Enforcement do not oppose the recommended motion.

ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

28. There are no environmental matters related to the recommendation.

ALTERNATIVES

29. One alternative is available for consideration by General Committee.

Alternative #1

General Committee could decide not to amend on street parking on Toronto Street between Ross Street and Grove Street.

This alternative is not recommended as inconsistencies would still exist within By-law 80-138 and "No Parking" signage on Toronto Street.

FINANCIAL

30. The cost to amend the No Parking signage on Toronto Street is approximately \$1,200 and can be accommodated in the 2012 Business Plan.

LINKAGE TO COUNCIL STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

31. The recommendations included in this Staff Report are not specifically related to the goals identified in the 2010-2014 City Council Strategic Plan.

Appendix "A"

